

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

RAQUEL BLOOM,

Defendant.

8:21-CR-211

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
WITHDRAW AND DENYING MOTION
TO REDUCE SENTENCE**

This matter is before the Court on the *pro se* Motion to Reduce Sentence filed by defendant Raquel Bloom, Filing 137, and the Motion to Withdraw filed by Federal Public Defender, Mr. David R. Stickman, Filing 139. The Office of the Federal Public Defender was appointed to represent the defendant pursuant to General Order No. 2023-09. Filing 138. The purpose of this appointment was to determine whether the defendant qualified “for relief pursuant to either the 2023 U.S. Sentencing Guidelines amendments of [U.S.S.G. § 1B1.13](#) or [U.S.S.G. § 1B1.10](#) providing for the retroactive application of Amendment 821[.]” Filing 138 at 1. Mr. Stickman has moved to withdraw as counsel because “the Defendant has six criminal history points and was not assessed any ‘status criminal history points’ in the Presentence Investigation Report and therefore no sentence reduction on this basis is allowed.” Filing 139 at 1. The United States Probation Office also submitted a worksheet in this case which states that the defendant is not entitled to a reduction. Filing 140.

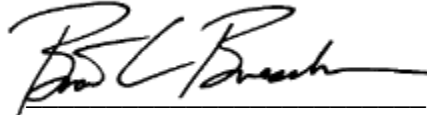
The Court has conducted its own review of the defendant’s *pro se* Motion along with other relevant matters in the record. The Court concludes that the Defendant is not entitled to the sentencing relief she seeks. Her *pro se* Motion is without merit and will be denied. The Court likewise concludes that Mr. Stickman’s Motion to Withdraw should be granted for the reasons he set forth in his Motion. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Federal Public Defender David R. Stickman's Motion to Withdraw, Filing 139, is granted; and
2. Raquel Bloom's *pro se* Motion to Reduce Sentence, Filing 137, is denied.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 2024.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. C. Buescher", written over a horizontal line.

Brian C. Buescher
United States District Judge